

REPORTING THE STATE OF AN
APPARATUS TO A REMOTE COMPUTER

Abstract

5 The state of an apparatus is reported to a remote
computer using an embedded device in the apparatus. The
embedded device detects the state, generates a message that
reports the state using a self-describing computer
language, and sends the message to the remote computer.
10 The remote computer receives the message and extracts the
state of the embedded device from the message.

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